



SALEM UNITED CHURCH
OF CHRIST
Living Out God's Love

An Open and Affirming Congregation

April 24, 2022

Second Sunday of Easter

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

*Call to Worship (Responsively): (adapted from Psalm 118)

How wonderful it is to know God's blessings!

We celebrate the gift of community, and our connection with each other.

How wonderful it is to know God's Spirit lives among us!

We honor the connections God creates in our lives.

How wonderful it is to know that God is light and contains no darkness!

We seek to walk in the light, as God is light.

How wonderful it is to know that the God of grace meets us here!

We quiet our hearts and lift our eyes to worship the God of peace.

*Hymn: *Joy Dawned Again on Easter Day* 241

*Prayer of Confession (Unison):

O God, you are light, and in you there is no darkness at all.

We call ourselves children of light,

But sometimes we act otherwise:

We love ourselves more than others,

We manipulate others to get our own way,

And then pretend to be innocent.

We deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

Shine your light into our dark places.

Bring the truth to our lips.

In your faithfulness, receive our confession and forgive us. Amen.

*Assurance of Pardon (Responsively):

Jesus said, "Let your light shine . . . so that others may see your good works,

"And give glory to your Father who is in heaven."

As we live a life of resurrection, as we strive with assurance and hope,

We live in the light of God's forgiveness, the gift of grace,

Given freely by our Risen Lord. Alleluia! Amen!

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer:

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.

Bell Anthem: *Great Is Thy Faithfulness* [Anna Laura Page]

Reading from the Gospel: John 20:19-31 p. 991

Sermon: "Just a Closer Walk: Resurrection over Resuscitation" Dr. Robinson

Sacrament of Baptism Peter Charles Fielek

Reception of the Offering

*Doxology: tune: 780

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God, all creatures here below;

Praise God for all that love has done;

Creator, Christ, and Spirit, One.

Prayer of Dedication

Hymn: *Wonder of Wonders, Here Revealed* 328

Benediction

Postlude

An asterisk (*) where those who are able should stand as an act of worship.
Hearing-assistance devices are available in the entrance near the canopy.

Easter Lily Sponsors

Thank you to those who sponsored lilies for our Easter Sunday services. A few of the Sponsors were missed in the Easter Sunday Bulletins, so an updated list has been provided below. If you sponsored a lily and did not take yours home, you are welcome to do so. If left, the church will continue to enjoy them.

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>In Memory/Honor of:</u>
Carla Baez & Peggy Topp	Lyle Baez
Bahr Family	Daughter Gabriella Jane Bahr
Bass Family	All that have gone before
Cari Bass	Grandparents, Marilyn and Kathy
Kay & Bob Berry	Our parents
Jeannette Brandt	Mother
Mary & Dwight Cutler	Sister - Dorothy Reuter
Roger & Becky Hagenston	Our parents
Harlan & Gerri Hall	Our parents
Chuck & Lisa Hart	Joan Hart, Joe Martino, Molly Rankin, Rion Best
Nechvatal Family	Lucille Cleveland, Doug Cleveland, Dale Cleveland
Dick Phililps, Jon & Sarah Pundt	Ruthellen Phillips
Quade Family	Dora Pegel (Mother & Omi)
Anna May Rhiner	Julian Rhiner
Sandi Rost	My Parents
Judy & Larry Skupien	Our parents
Thiedes & Davies	Bill Thiede
Diane & Dave Triplett	Parents - Ralph & Barbara Zingg Parents - David & Dolores Triplett Sr.
Doris Waldmann	Rodney Waldmann
Fred Wenger	Terry Bakken, Jean Wenger
Rose & Paul Wieland	Gift to the church

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THIS WEEK AT SALEM

Today

1:30PM-4PM - Piano Recital

6:30PM - Youth Gathering

Eve - Boy Scouts

Monday, April 25

7PM - Board of Christian Education

Tuesday, April 26

4:45PM - Confirmation

Wednesday, April 27

6PM - BRC

6:30PM - Handbells

6:45PM - Chancel Choir

Thursday, April 28

7PM - Parent's Promise

Friday, April 29

8AM-5PM - Piano Auditions

Saturday, April 30



8AM-5PM - Piano Auditions

Sunday, May 1

9AM - Sunday School

10:15AM - Worship

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